Lanka Hospitals Diagnostics (Pvt) Ltd - 2019

1.1 Opinion

The audit of the financial statements of the Lanka Hospitals Diagnostics (Pvt) Ltd ("Company") for the year ended 31 December 2019 comprising the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2019 and the income statement, statement of Profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, was carried out under my direction in pursuance of provisions in Article 154(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka read in conjunction with provisions of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018. My comments and observations which I consider should be report to Parliament appear in this report.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2019, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards.

1.2 Basis for Opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards (SLAuSs). My responsibilities, under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of my report. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

1.3 Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

As per Section 16(1) of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018, the Company is required to maintain proper books and records of all its income, expenditure, assets and liabilities, to enable annual and periodic financial statements to be prepared of the Company.

1.4 Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

My objective is to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

The scope of the audit also extended to examine as far as possible and as far as necessary the following;

- Whether the organization, systems, procedures, books, records and other documents have been properly and adequately designed from the point of view of the presentation of information to enable a continuous evaluation of the activities of the Company, and whether such systems, procedures, books, records and other documents are in effective operation;
- Whether the Company has complied with applicable written law, or other general or special directions issued by the governing body of the Company;
- Whether the Company has performed according to its powers, functions and duties; and
- Whether the resources of the Company had been procured and utilized economically, efficiently and effectively within the time frames and in compliance with the applicable laws.

1.5 Non-compliance with Laws, Rules, Regulations and Management Decisions etc.

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Reference Laws, Rules Regulations e	to tc.	Non-compliance	Management Comment	Recommendation

Public Enterprise Department circular PED 12

- According to the section 9.7, salaries and allowances should be based on approved schemes of recruitments and promotions and no revision would be permitted without the approval of the secretary to the treasury. However, the company had not complied with the requirement.
- The section 9.2.d of the circular stated that the Organization Chart and the approved cadre should be registered with the Department of **Public** Enterprises, General Treasury. However. the Company had not complied the requirement.

Lanka Hospitals Diagnostics (Pvt) Ltd is a company duly incorporated under the companies act no. 07 of 2007 and operate as a private limited liability company. Further, LHD is a fully owned subsidiary company of Lanka Hospitals Corporation PLC. The Sri Lankan laboratory industry is extremely competitive, and to be successful and be identified as significant medical laboratory service provider in the field. LHD has to perform its activities in parallel with private medical other laboratories in the market. Hence, LHD has to recruit and maintain talented and competent staff providing competitive salaries and wages, to be competitive in the

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Public Enterprise Department circular PED 1/2015

- Contradictory to the provisions of the public enterprise circular **PED** 1/2015, telephone allowances had been granted by the Company to the Chief Executive Officer exceeding the limits by Rs.3300.
- Contradictory to the provisions of the public enterprise circular, fuel allowances had been granted by the Company to the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer exceeding the limits by 100L and 35L respectively.

market.

However, the company is planning to get direction in respect to the said PED circulars from the Department of Public Enterprise to obtain relief with special circumstances due to the above mentioned factors.

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2. Financial Review

2.1 Financial Result

The operating result of the year under review amounted to a profit of Rs. 299,707,855 and the corresponding profit in the preceding year amounted to Rs. 254,798,395. Therefore, an improvement amounting to Rs. 44,909,460 or increase of the 14.98 percent of the financial result was observed.

2.2	Ratio Analysis	2019	2018
	Current Assets Ratio	3.01 times	3.60 times
	Quick Assets Ratio	2.74 times	3.24 times
	Gross Profit Ratio	58.86%	52.43%
	Return on Capital Employed	25.10%	32.62%
	Gearing Ratio	32.10%	N/A

3. Operational Review

3.1 Transactions of Contentious Nature

Audit Issue	Management Comment	Recommendation	
Company use Expired medicine for laboratory	Expired stock items are being used under strict control over the quality department. This is and industry practice and we have a sound Standard	industry norms/practices	
tests based on doctor's	Operating Procedure(SOP) that is followed		
comments.	when using expired reagent items.		

3.2 Delays in Projects or Capital Work

Audit Issue		Management Comment Recommendation	
Following procurements were even though they were procurement plan. Description Sub Unit	•		During project execution the original should be regularly monitored and updated.
1. Slides Storing Histopatholo Cabinet	gy January 2019	01. Managed with existing capital items. Requirement shifted to year 2020.	(Procurement Guideline 4.2.1.).
2.Manual IHC Histopatholo Steiner	gy January 2019	02. Purchase was delayed and managed with the existing resources.	
3. Microscope Royal Hospit Lab	al 1 st Quarter 2019	03. Managed with existing capital items. Requirement shifted to year 2020.	
4. Microscope Galle Lab	February 2019	04. Managed with existing capital items. Requirement shifted to year 2020 budget.	
5. Coagulation Kurunegala Analyzer Lab	December 2019	05. Kurunegala - New Lab project which is shifted to year 2020.	
6. Desktop Kurunegala	December	06. Kurunegala - New Lab	

Computers	Lab	2019	project which is shifted to year 2020.
7. Equipment Interface	Kurunagala Lab	December 2019	07. Kurunegala - New Lab project which is shifted to year 2020.

3.3 Human Resources Management

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Audit Issue			Management Comment	Recommendation	
According to the approved carder list of the Company, the actual carder is exceeded approved carder. Details taken for the month of June 2020 are as follows.				Periodically and take approval amendments	review relevant for to the
1.1		Excess)1 1.1	Budgeted New Recruitments – 2019	Carder.	
1.2	Anuradhapura Mini 0 Lab - Trainee Medical Laboratory Technologist)1 1.2	Budgeted New Recruitments – 2019		
2	Finance - Executive - 0 Finance	2.	One Finance Assistant was promoted as Executive - Finance in 2020		
3	Hematology - Trainee 0 Medical Technologist	3.	Medical Technologist position is replaced by a Trainee Medical Technologist		
4	Kandy Lab - Acting 0 Supervisor Sales Development	01 4	Sales Development Associate is promoted as Acting Supervisor Sales Development		
5.1	Logistics - Acting 0 Supervisor Sales Development)1	Sales Development Supervisor is replaced by an Acting Supervisor Sales Department		
5.2	Logistics - Sales Development Associate	5.2	Sales Development Supervisor is replaced by a Sales Development Associate		

- 6.1 Marketing Assistant 01 Manager - Business Development
- 6.1 Senior Executive Business
 Development is promoted as
 Assistant Manager Business
 Development
- 6.2 Marketing Executive 01
 Business
 Development
- 6.2 Cadre position of Manager Sales is transferred to HR and Executive HR position is transferred to Marketing therefore an extra Executive-Business Development is reflected in cadre, however this change is within the cadre number
- 7 Microbiology Trainee 02 Medical Technologist
- 7 Two Medical Technologist position are replaced by a Trainee Medical Technologist
- 8 Molecular Biology 01 Acting Supervisor Molecular Biology
- 8 Medical Technologist is promoted as Acting Supervisor Molecular Biology
- 9.1 Sample Collection 01 Coordinator Laboratory
- 9.1 Customer Relations Officer is promoted as coordinator Laboratory
- 9.2 Sample Collection 01 Senior Coordinator Laboratory
- 9.2 Coordinator Laboratory is promoted as Senior Coordinator Laboratory
- 9.3 Sample Collection 01 Supervisor – Phlebotomy
- 9.3 Phlebotomist is promoted as a Supervisor Phlebotomists
- 9.4 Sample Collection 03 Trainee Phlebotomist
- 9.4 Three Phlebotomist positions were replaced by Trainee Phlebotomists